

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th/5th July 2026

Services during the Week

Saggart: **Mass:** Sunday 9am, Tue, Wed & Fri 11am. **Adoration:** Sat/Sun 4 - 7pm

Rathcoole: **Mass:** Sat 6pm, Sun 12pm, Tue & Thur 10am.

Adoration: Sun 4 – 6pm, Tue 10.30 – 5pm; Fri 9 – 12 & 3 – 7pm

Newcastle: **Mass:** Sun 10am. Mon & Fri 10am; **Adoration:** Sat 3 – 5pm.

Confession: Available by request, generally after any Mass.

Baptisms/Marriages: Contact Parish Office for details (0860108420 Tue – Thur 10 – 12.30)

Recently Deceased

Our sympathies to the family of Christian O Connor, Newcastle and Bernie Howard, Rathcoole. May they rest in peace.

Parish Cemetery Masses

Well done to all who attended the various cemetery masses over the past few weeks. Thanks to all who have prepared and organized the events in many different ways.

Other Cemetery Mass/Blessings during Summer

Deansgrange, July 5, at 3pm. **Templeogue** - 11th July at 3pm; **Newlands Cross Cemetery** - 3 PM, July 12; **Esker** - 30th August at 3pm.

Vatican News: Lefebvrite priests and lay faithful

The Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith has sent a communication to bishops around the world outlining what must be done to welcome back those who decide to leave the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Pius X following the schismatic act that led to excommunication. A process is in place for priests and lay people to be welcomed back to the Catholic church. For those who have attended the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Pius X only for liturgical or spiritual reasons, while aware of the tensions with the Holy See, do not reject the Magisterium or the authority of the Roman Pontiff” it will be sufficient for them to approach “a priest in full communion, with the decision not to attend the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Pius X in the future.”

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Sept 3rd – 8th 2026

The diocesan pilgrimage takes place this year in September. **Ways that we can take part:** Assisted Pilgrims – Names can be submitted for pilgrims that may need assistance in Lourdes. Many of these stay in the ‘Accueil Notre Dame’ which has many of the facilities of a modern hospital; Becoming an ‘Associate Member’ – Each church organises differently in supporting pilgrims to Lourdes and being enrolled as members. These will be included in the Mass intentions during the week. The donations received helps part-fund the assisted pilgrims.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Sunday, 26th July beginning 2.30 with anointing of sick. Honouring Grandparents & the Elderly. Visit www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org for more details. All are welcome.

Magnificia Humanitas – Pope Leo’s Encyclical

Resources aimed at facilitating the understanding of and an in-depth analysis of Pope Leo’s encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas* have been prepared by the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. Visit humandevelopment.va to access this Pastoral Kit.

Volunteers Needed

New members are needed for our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Committee. If you feel that you may have an interest in shaping the parish of the future please leave contact details to the parish office and you will be contacted with more information shortly.

We are always looking for new Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar servers, Choir members, Stewards, Church Cleaners, Eucharistic Adoration and also people to help out with Funeral Ministry and Baptism Teams. Training, if needed, will be provided. Please leave name and contact details in your local church sacristy.

Féileacháin Summer Service

Féileacáin is a not-for-profit organisation that provides support to anyone affected by the death of a baby during or after pregnancy. Each year, we hold our Summer Service in St Mary of the Angels Church, Church Street. This service is open to anyone affected by the loss of a baby, including families whose bereavement happened many years ago. This year, the Féileacáin Summer Service will take place on Saturday, July 18, at 3pm.

Seeds of Hope, Hints of Resurrection – Dominican Retreat Centre

19-25th July with Jessie Rogers. Visit <https://domrc.ie/> for more details.

Pathways into Pastoral Ministry

This course is for any adult who wants to explore and grow their faith. Over a year, participants are offered inputs on foundational issues of faith and the impact they have on ministry and parish life. There is also time for small group sharing and the opportunity for three different retreat experiences. On completion of the course, people are presented with a certificate.

Pathways is run on a Thursday evening (during term times) at the St Patrick's campus of DCU in Drumcondra from 7.15pm to 9.15pm. The course starts on September 24th and runs until May 13th, and costs €300.

For further details, please visit the adult faith section of www.dublindiocese.ie/missionministry or contact peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie.

Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis

This 8-session course, run in St Paul's Arran Quay, is for current members of a Parish Sacramental Preparation Team or anyone who might be considering this important ministry. The course is divided into 4 foundation modules and 4 modules that explore Catechesis in practice. The course costs €200. Those who successfully complete the course will receive a certificate. For more information, and to apply for a place, please contact patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie.

The Priory – Tallaght

The Priory Institute one-week online Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from August 10. The course includes four recorded presentations and one online zoom discussion and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register at www.prioryinstitute.com.

Support for Birth Mothers

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinginfo.ie or by calling the relevant section of Tusla at 0818 445500.

Glendalough Pilgrimage Walks

At the Glendalough Hermitage Centre we are delighted to offer parish groups from all localities a pilgrim experience in the valley of Glendalough, visiting the sacred sites associated with the 6th Century Saint Kevin and the monastic settlement which flourished through the Early Christian period in Ireland. Our project was initiated in the Jubilee Year 2000 by the Archdiocese of Dublin at the beginning of the third millennium, with the purpose of 'restoring Glendalough as a place of pilgrimage'. During the Jubilee Year 2025 many 'Pilgrims of Hope' experienced a life-giving day walking in the Valley of the Seven Churches. For 2026 we continue to extend this invitation to all new and returning parish groups seeking to experience a day of retreat, reflection and renewal in the beautiful Glendalough valley. For details and bookings contact 0879356696 or faiite@glendaloughhermitage.ie. Visit www.glendaloughhermitage.ie.

Bishops' Summer Statement

Members of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference gathered last week at St Patrick's College, Maynooth, for their Summer 2026 General Meeting. Archbishop Farrell is the Vice-President of the Conference. Issues discussed during the meeting included:

- Civil unrest in Belfast
- Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical letter, Magnifica Humanitas, on humanity in the AI era
- Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church
- 'Day for Life' 2026 message: The Wonder of the Child in the Womb
- Department of Education and Youth's Primary Schools Survey
- Synodality: in Ireland and Universally
- New EU Envoy for FoRB outside the EU, and persecution of Christians in Nigeria
- Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union
- Trócaire: Ebola outbreak in DR Congo
- TheWay.ie, progress on new unified digital platform to share the Good News
- Supporting international priests ministering in Ireland
- Maynooth Union annual celebration of milestone anniversaries of ordination classes

[The full statement is available here](#)